

CRIME VICTIMS UNIT NEWSLETTER

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A NOTE FROM THE CRIME VICTIMS COORDINATOR

Greetings: Let me start by apologizing for not getting our newsletter out in the past three months. The unit has been extremely busy continuing to fulfill our mission and that is to service Victims of crime with dignity and respect!

First and foremost let me thank each and everyone that helped during Crime Victims' Rights Week the Community Affairs Div., Weed and Seed Program, Finance Dept. and our Maintenance Department, especially Mrs. Angeles Rivera, and lets not forget our two Joes, Thanks guys, It was a success.

To the whole Webb County Sheriff's Department, thank you. A lot of changes have taken place since our last newsletter. The Crime Victims' Unit is now under the direction of Community Affairs Supervisor Lt. Blas Garza. The Department is also supervised by Sgt. Josie Casarez and Sgt. Rudy Valdez. Community Affairs has different components, like our 911 Program, Police Athletic League (Pal) Baseball and Boxing also our SROs and our Elderly Presentations. Let's Continue to work as a team and make this a successful year.

Sincerely,

Rachel Hernandez

Crime Victims Coordinator



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We're a team. If somebody drops the ball and it falls at your feet pick it up and run with it!

FROM THE DESK OF SGT. JOSIE CASAREZ

When you walk into the Community Affairs Division, take a right and you'll see our Monthly calendar. Supervisors, Officers, and civilians each take a part in community event to support our local community.

Our division has made a complete turnaround with the new

program Crime Victim's meeting the needs of entire families who have been devastated with tragedies of violent crimes. My hats off to Rachel Hernandez and team mate Olga Torres. Good Luck Liza, with your new mentors. Sincerely

Sgt. Josie Casarez



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Victims Advocate Olga Torres/523-4540



Welcome corner:



Welcome new staff members;

Community Affairs:

Mr. Jose Aguilar-Baseball Pal Coordinator

Mr. Lazaro Leon Ferrera-Pal Baseball Trainer

Celeste Cantu-Receptionist

Crime Victims' Unit:

Lisa Villarreal-Advocate

Grants:

Alfredo Juarez-Assistant Grant Writer

Crime Stoppers:

Deputy Frank Lozano

Warrants/Civil:

Deputy Elvira Valenzuela

Deputy Paulina Castro

Finance:

Blanca Salinas-Clerk

Juan Angel Gomez-Clerk

PBX Operator:

Deputy Leticia Esquivel

Lets not forget to keep those who are ill in our

prayers:

Luis Estevis and Jose Aguilar

Welcome back to Ricardo Maldonado, Ptrl Div. PRAISE GOD for your full recovery!

On March 13th 2006 we lost a great asset to this department. Also a great friend, coworker and to his family a loving father brother and son.

Captain Ricardo Acosta

His laugh could brighten a room. He will always be in our memories and in our

NEW ADDITION TO THE DEPARTMENT: PAL BOXING GYM

We are proud to announce the newest addition to the department (Pal Boxing Gym) located at 3802 S. Zapata Hwy.

One of Sheriff Rick Flores biggest missions is to get kids off drugs and gangs and keep them off the streets. The P.A.L. Boxing Program is helping in this mission.

Staff members: Conchies Vasquez

Trainers: Ulysses Oretgon

Rodolfo "La Cobra" Gomez

Roberto "Shot Gun" Gomez

For hours of operations please contact Lt. Blas Garza at the Community Affairs Division 523-4517 or Sgt Josie Casarez.

Thanks to all who helped at the grand Opening. Special thanks to Mr. Ulysses Ortegon for all your hard work.

The gym is also available for all Webb County Sheriff's Department Staff.



SPECIAL EVENTS:GEORGE WASHIGTON CELEBRATIONS, JUVENILE DIABETES FUNDRAISER, POLICE WEEK AND ALL OTHER EVENTS.

Sheriff Rick Flores would like to thank everyone who participated in the **George Washington Celebration.** The Floats were awesome and the menudo was delicious. What can we say about all the hard work that made the **Juvenile Diabetes**Walk a success. The Department as a whole raised over \$31,000 GREAT JOB EVERYONE! Police week was a time to honor all law enforcement men and

women who risk their lives for us to keep our communities safe. The week started with a religious ceremony and ended with awards night, Congrats to all those who got a n award. Job well done! To all the other events that of course were a success, like our Valentines Dance, Mothers Day Dance, Fathers Day Dance. Thanks to all the Community Affairs staff: Chachies, Lazaro, Patty, Perla, Celeste, Lisa, Olga, Lety, Diana, Cindy and of course Lt. Blas Garza, Sgt. Josie Casarez, Sgt. Rudy Valdez and all the volunteers. Remember guys, working as a team is the key to success!

